

Attorney's Docket No.: 08041-007001

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

pplicant: Henrick K. Gille et al.

Art Unit : 3732

Serial No

09/546,097

Examiner: Hank M. Johnson

Filed

: April 10, 2000

Title : CUTTING AN

CUTTING AND CAUTERIZING SURGICAL TOOLS

MAIL STOP RCE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND PETITION FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION

Correspondence relating to this application is enclosed. The required fees are computed below. Please apply any charges not covered, or any credits, to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Total Claims 92 - 69 = 23 \$ 207
Independent 8 - 7 = 1 \$ 43
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 \$ 385

Applicant hereby petitions under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for a 5 month extension of time. \$ 1005

TOTAL FEE DUE \$ \$1640

A check for \$1640 is attached.

Date: 12-16-03

Fish & Richardson P.C. 12390 El Camino Real San Diego, California 92130 Telephone: (858) 678-5070 Facsimile: (858) 678-5099

10353137.doc

Reg. No. 46,166 RECEIVED

Respectfully submitted,

Shekhar Vyas

DEC 2 4 2003

TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

12/22/2003 MDAMTE1 00000152 09546097

04 FC:2255

1005.00 OP

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY FIRST CLASS MAIL

I hereby certify under 37 CFR §1.8(a) that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage on the date indicated below and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

December 16, 2003

Date of Deposit

Mountain

Signature

Norman Green
Typed or Printed Name of Person Signing Certificate

ı